

The Brethren Evangelist,
THE BRETHREN CHURCH PAPER,
Ashland, Ohio.

The Church and Field.

The Evangelist Hymn Book is just the thing for prayer meetings and revivals.

Bro. Joseph M. Thomas, of Tranquility, Ohio, has moved to Bloomington, Illinois.

Brother John Miller, of the Fair Haven church, Wayne County, Ohio, has been visiting brethren at this place.

On Sept. 26th, one was baptized at Masontown and eight on the 27th. Bro. Bashor is still a mighty instrument in the hands of the Lord for good.

We are still willing to receive subscriptions from now until the end of the year for 25 cents. Try a little canvassing, brethren, please. Help us to enlarge the Evangelist family.

WANTED.—A student to attend Ashland College who is capable of teaching penmanship. A good penman can pay tuition and room rent by teaching a daily class in penmanship.

CORRECTION.—We made Bro. Brown say he preached 27 years at a place in Pennsylvania, in his report of the Masontown Convention. It should have read, preached there regularly 27 years ago.

Bro. Gilbert, who sends in a correspondence from Burkettsville, Ohio, is rather a stranger to us. Will he write and tell us more about his situation, and how many of our people are there?

Last week, Bro. Bashor attended a debate between Clark Bradner and an atheist named Watts, at Waynesburg, Pa., and on Friday left for Cameron, W. Va., where he intends to remain the next ten days.

The Pleasant Valley Church, formerly Fairview, Labette county, Kans., will hold their annual Lovefeast at the home of Bro. Richard Arnold, Oct. 31st, beginning at 8 o'clock p. m. Those coming by rail will stop off at Laneville, Ft. Scott and Gulf road, Cherryvale branch, and by giving previous notice, will be met by conveyance. A cordial invitation is extended to all, and especially the ministry.

A. J. HIXSON.

MAURERTOWN, VA., Sept. 28.—We have enjoyed a season of spiritual refreshing during the stay of Bro. Mallott. He has made many friend. The immediate result of our labors were fifteen by baptism and five by relation.

Since our organization in March last the whole number of additions are forty-four.

Bro. Mallott preached his farewell sermon last night and when the time came to bid good-by we fully realized how hard it was to say farewell; but we trust if we live the time may soon come when we can stand side by side again, calling sinners to the cross of Christ.

E. B. SHAVER.

SUMMIT MILLS, PA., Sept. 28th.—We held a series of meetings in our church, commencing on the 13th, and closing on the evening of the 27th, conducted by Bro. R. Z. Replogle, of Johnstown, assisted by our home ministers, Bro. A. D. Gnagey, and J. A. Miller. The result of

which added nineteen precious souls to our church which had ten members before Bro. Replogle came. This makes our church twenty-nine members.

We had a very pleasant feast on the evening of the 26th, in which forty communicants partook. Bro. Replogle officiated and was assisted by J. H. Knepfer, A. D. Gnagey, and Jno. A. Miller. Ten of our addition were baptized, and nine by relation from the German Baptists.

Bro. Replogle, while with us, made many friends to our Cause by standing firmly upon our platform adopted at Dayton, O. May God bless him in all his future efforts in the field.

U. M. MILLER.

BURKETTSTOWN, MERCER CO., O.—The EVANGELIST is a welcome visitor to me every week, as it brings me the news from other places in God's vineyard, that I cannot hear any other way. I am here I can say, alone, so far as man's help is concerned, but still I can say that God is with me. Our people here are about equally divided between Catholic and Methodist, but our Methodist brethren are kind and charitable. We all meet together for worship and they have invited me to preach for them, which I shall endeavor to do.

May God bless our brotherhood.

NATHAN R. GILBERT.

DAYTON, O.—Another valuable accession to the Dayton congregation in the person of Mrs. George W. Barr. One by one the Lord is adding to the church those that are being saved. The cause is the Lord's, and blessed be his name.

Sister Barr gave evidence that she gladly received His Word by being baptized, Sunday, Sept. 27. May she be an instrument in the providence of God, to bring many others into the fold of Christ, that her lot may be among those who, having turned many to righteousness, shall shine as the stars for ever and ever.

S. KIEHL.

LANARK, ILL., Sept. 28th.—The brethren of the Bethlehem church held a series of meetings, which began Sept. 20th, and closed Sept. 27th. Sermons preached, ten. Our dear brother, Z. T. Livengood, pastor of the above-named church did the preaching, and he did it in the name of Him who suffered and died for the sins of the world. Blessed thought that sinners were converted to God by preaching Jesus to them. Brethren and sisters were made to weep and rejoice to see the unconverted coming to Jesus.

Brethren, remember us at a throne of grace. We feel happy. Immediate result; nine were baptized and two transferred from the German Baptist church; also, one three weeks ago; in all, twelve. We number 81.

W. H. HERRINGTON.

CAMBRIA COUNTY, PA.—I left Fayette County on the 21st, after preaching a week at the grove. The meeting was well attended; much better than I expected, and the interest is growing. One brother made the good confession, and I think was baptized ere this time.

Arrived at the hospitable home of Bro. B. Benschoff by noon, and

remained there attending to secular matters till the evening of the 24th, when we went to the Conemaugh love-feast at Fairview; had a very good meeting. Preached at the "Pike," on Friday evening, and on Saturday evening we had a very pleasant but solemn little love-feast at the house of sister Hunt, near Fairview. This dear sister has been sick for some time, and at her request this meeting was held. There were a number present and sixteen participated in the work. After the communion service was over, the sick sister was anointed with oil as directed by the Apostle, James. The visit and services seemed to cheer her very much and we hope she will be blessed with sustaining grace to the end.

On Sunday we preached at the Pike again, and by special request treated the subject of Church Government. We tried to be understood and feel satisfied we were.

In the evening we preached at Rosedale, and on Monday the 28th, in the evening, landed at the home of Dr. Beachly in Meyersdale, and we shall probably remain with the brethren of the Dale for a week. They expect to hold a communion meeting on Saturday Oct. 3rd.

Health in general is good; fruit is plenty, especially in Cambria county.

I still like Pennsylvania.

P. J. BROWN.

MASONTOWN, PA., Sept. 29.—Elder S. H. Bashor came to our town on Sept. 11th, as was the desire of many who are acquainted with his wonderful powers in Sunday school convention work, and proved himself a lever, as he has time and again, in moving the wheels of the carriage of the glorious Gospel work. The work of the Convention was such as will leave its indelibly stamped impressions, and our people will take a higher and more favorable idea of the Brethren and their work in this part of church duty; "Train up a child in the way that he should go."

DEDICATION.

When Bro. Bashor appeared before the one thousand or more people present at this exercise, we wondered if he would be able to hold so various and so vast an assembly, varied in their sympathies, and their ecclesiastical beliefs, their morals, but to the greatness of the task, he proved himself amply sufficient.

A spell seemed to bind the great throng of human minds in one sweet revery, and a glow played upon the facial features like morning light on the far eastern hills. The dedicational sermon ended, donations were asked for, when many philanthropic hearts opened, and large were the cash receipts. The remaining indebtedness was at once assumed by Bro. John Sterling, and the house was given to the Lord for his approval by the conversion of souls, a testimony of his divine presence. For this token we were not made to wait long. Twenty-six placed their names on our church book and the recording angel wrote them on the Lamb's book of life. The deepest interest was manifested all through the meetings, and many a true

wish was uttered for brother Bashor to come again soon.

A. J. STERLING.

Death Notice.

With a sad heart we inform the readers of the Evangelist of the fatal accident in the family of our much esteemed brother and sister, Ele Wise, near New Berlin, Stark, Co. O. Their youngest son, Milton, a young man about 21 years of age, formerly a student of Ashland College was hauling on the road and slipped and fell under the wagon. A rear wheel passed over his body, and he was crushed, surviving only 15 minutes. He was taken home dead. This was a hard stroke to the relatives. They mourn, but not without hope as he was a good boy and a friend to all. And the best of all is that he loved God and was a consistent member of the Brethren Church.

He united with the church at Ashland, while attending school there, when he was only about 16 years of age. He was an earnest, zealous worker in the Sunday School, a class Bible student, and but few of his age were better versed in the Bible, and was not as handy to take an active part in the family devotions. Indeed, in every way, he was a young man worthy the respect and esteem of all; And as the flower that is just opening up to full bloom is plucked, giving out its sweet fragrance, so our young brother was in the opening up to a promising life nipped by death and transplanted to the garden of God, leaving behind the influence of a life well spent.

On Sunday Oct. 27th, he was conveyed to his last resting place on earth followed by relatives and friends and a numerous concourse of people, all in deep sympathy with Bro. Wise and family.

Religious service suitable for the occasion by Eld. N. Longanaker and Samuel Sprankle.

JOSIAH KEIM.

Louisville, O.

Miami Valley Items.

I commenced a protracted meeting in the Shiloh church, north of Dayton, on the 25th of September. Bro. V. E. Wampler lives in this neighborhood, and is an active, live progressive brother. Before the meetings close we hope to have a good report for the EVANGELIST. Bro. Kiehl and several others cheered us with their presence. Although there are many inducements to keep the worldly-inclined away, yet we are glad that the people appreciate Gospel preaching. This is a good sign and we hope under the blessing of God's spirit, it will be the means of swelling the ranks of the Lord's redeemed.

EVANGELIST No. 36 was read with pleasure. The correspondence department is quite a contrast with that of the preceding number.

I can give a hearty "amen" to Bro. Holsinger's remarks about the lack of original essays. I notice that in No. 39 there is not one original article on the inside of the paper. Oh, yes! I notice that sister Sigerfoose has a beautiful original poem; and if it were not for that, we would have four solid pages of clipped matter. This does not speak well

for the Brotherhood. To remedy this matter your humble servant will volunteer to write one solid page a month for our essay department. Thus with a few more, we feel like buckling on the armor a little tighter, and taking a firmer grip of the old sword.

Bro. Mallott's sermon on Christian Baptism should have a good circulation.

Our Evangelist Hymn Book, I have no doubt, will become a great favorite. It is just what we want to carry with us where there are no organized churches. Bro. Holsinger deserves our thanks for his zeal in this matter.

E. MASON.

Dayton, Ohio, Sept. 30, 1885.

MARRIED.

Married on Sunday Sept. 13th, at the residence of W. L. Yeater near Williamsport, Mr. Dan Williams, Warden of North Dak. Penitentiary to Mrs. Ruth E. Gibbs of Bismark.

J. H. WORST.

By Rev. S. H. Bashor, at the residence of Rev. A. J. Sterling, near Masontown, Fayette Co., Pa., Sept. 30th, 1885, Mr. William Walter Smith to Miss Minnie Cypher, both of Fayette Co., Pa.

On Sept. 17, 1885, at the residence of the bride's mother, by Elder Jno. D. Gans, Mr. Wm. Davis to sister Katie Fouch, all of Fayette Co., Pa.

Witness, P. J. BROWN.

In Memorium.

Ida Holsinger died at Rockwell City, Kas., April 14, 1885, aged 20 years, 9 months and 22 days. She was baptized at the age of 13, and lived a very humble Christian life. Her example and her many unselfish deeds and self-sacrifices made to comfort and help to bear the burdens of her family, relatives, and friends, shall never be forgotten. She was in full fellowship with the Brethren church at this place.

And wast thou tired of life, dear child,
When life seemed bright and fair,
To thee so young, and then so soon—
The bridal robes to wear.

No bridal robes that queens may boast,
With thine can now compare,
Thy heavenly robes the sun outshine,
With glorious light so fair.

And the blest crown thou now shalt wear

Shall far excel in worth—
Methinks that thine with stars will shine—
The royal crowns of earth!

For while thou didst sojourn on earth,
Thou served thy Lord and King,
Thou now shall join that "heavenly choir,"

And His dear praises sing.

We miss thy dear melodious voice,
Thy unselfish deeds, thy love,
Our only hope is in his word
That we shall meet above.

Oh lonely house! oh vacant chair!
Which none but thee can fill,
None e'er can share our grief; how hard

To bow to God's own will.

Our lips may smile, and our hearts seem glad

To those who know not grief,
But oh! the heavy aching hearts,
That ne'er can find relief.

Oh mournful fate that took thee hence!
But sweet thy rest shall be—
Thy Christian life has gained for thee
A blest eternity.

The rapturous hour, when will it come
To us who mourn for thee now,
When we shall clasp glad hands with thee,

While round God's throne we bow.

CARRIE HOLSINGER.

Gospel Messenger please copy.

The purer the character the more precious the repute.—Mary Marston.

The man who would shudder at the idea of a rough word of the description commonly called swearing, will not even have a twinge of conscience after a whole morning of ill-tempered sullenness, capricious scolding, villainously unfair animadversion, or surly, cross-gained treatment generally of wife and children.—Malcolm.